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NETWORK PROTOCOL OFFLOAD )  
ENGINES TO PROVIDE FAST NETWORK )  
BOOTING, SYSTEM REPURPOSING, )  
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MANAGEABILITY, AND DISASTER )  
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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 AND 1.121**

Sir/Madam:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed November 2, 2006, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. A Request for Continued Examination is submitted herewith.